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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 27, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.